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# BURLESON TO DISCUSS U. S YEARLY REPORT

Postmaster General Talks Over Plans With President, Who, He Says, Is In Entire Accord With Project.

Investigation Already Started By Board of Physical Valuation-Postal Chief Has Views of English Expert.

Government ownership of telelines will be discussed at length in the annual report of Postmaster General Burleson. This was admitted by the Postmaster General himself, following a visit to the White House today. From his attitude, the official will probably conclude this portion of his report with a recommendation that the project be taken up by the Administration and pushed to a consummation.

The President, sa'd Mr. Burleson. is in entire accord with his ideas on the subject. Neither he nor the President has determined upon the details of the proposal, and both favor a thorough investigation of the question before the Administration undertakes to support any bill providing for Government ownership.

Is Logical Next Step. "Undoubtedly," said the Postmaster General, "there is a widespread demand met with the indorsement of the country, and those favoring Government ownership of the telegraph lines feel that it is but a logical next step in the

"But in a matter like this, involving as it does, the question of taking over should make haste slowly. The Democratic party has always approached projects of this magnitude with cau-

"The President and I both have an open mind on the proposition, and both believe that a thorough and exhaustive study should be made not only in this country, but abroad, before we undertae to decide on anything definite.

#### Investigation Started.

"Already such an investigation has conferences with Herbert Samuels. head of the English postal system, retems in other European countries must

Congressman Lowis, of Maryland, coor the Government ownership of tele before it is introduced, and the Mary-land Congressman hopes it will get the Administration's O. K.

#### Are Not In Accord.

There are rumors that the Postmaster proposal of his own to the House and Senate committees which have promised

to look into the plan.

The attitude of Senate and House leaders on the Government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines will largely upon the President's

## **Elkins Heiress Gets**

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.-Mrs. Ma-PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Marie Louise Elkins de Guigne is to receive a Christmas present of \$354.66.67 for more than two hours. There was from the estate of her grandfather.

William L. Elkins.

come. She became of age August 24, at either side and the award was made in the or

#### Senators Who Are Late Will Be "Exposed"

shool" the Congressional Record will show that fact—and if he "p'ays hooker" when the roll is called he must get into the chamber before the Vice President announces the vote, or the Record will show his absence. These rulings were announced today by Vice

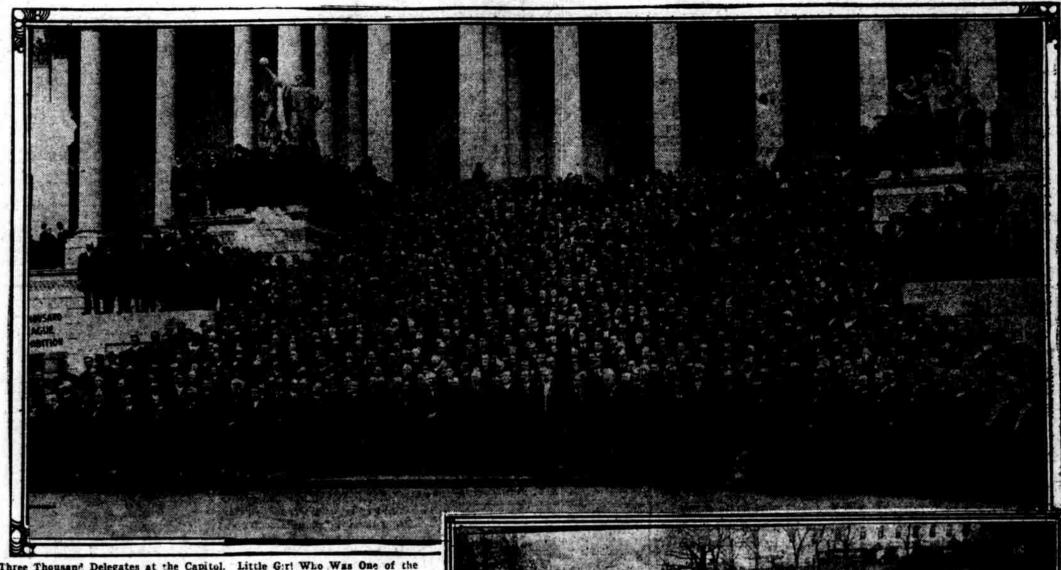
The Congressional Record will be called who will declare and if he "p'ays hookers of Congress, explaining in a brief address the purpose of the demonstration. He then introduced Ernest H. Cherrington, of the Anti-Saloon League, one of the best posted men of the day rulings were announced today by Vice

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### LITTLE BOY AND GIRL LEAD TEMPERANCE THRONG TO CAPITOL TO ASK CONGRESS TO PROVIDE NATION-WIDE PROHIBITION



Three Thousand Delegates at the Capitol. Little Girl Who Was One of the Leaders Is Seen In Front Row At Right of Center.

## TEMPERANCE FIGHT GOES TO CONGRESS

W. C. T. U. and Anti-Saloon Mr. Myers, of Montana, Newest League Join Forces in Remarkable Appeal.

A boy of six and a girl of four led the system. The parcel post system has a constituency that ran far into the national Anti-Vivisection and Animal millions, saw Dr. Purley A. Baker, gen- Protection Congress at the Raleigh eral superintendent of the Anti-Saloon Hotel this morning. Senator Gallinger, League of America, present a petition of New Hampshire, was announced as to Congress asking an amendment to one of the speakers at the afternoon the American Constitution which would session but a committee meting enplan to place under Government con- the American Constitution which would session prohibit the manufacture and sale of gaged his attendance

property valued at between \$100 000 000 Morris Sheppard of Texas and Conand \$300,000,000, it is essential that we gressman Richmond P. Hobson, of Ala-

#### Discord Swept Aside.

The gathering that thronged the east steps of the Capitol and overspread a great portion of the plaza was one of the most remarkable gatherings ever together in this city. eleventh hour discord between been started by the board of physical Women's Christian Temperance Union valuation, and recently I had two long and the Anti-Saloon League of America over a matter of prederence-a discord which threatened to defeat the vital is sue of the demonstration-had been garding the government-owned tele-graph lines in that country. The sys- swept away over night and the two national organizations presented an unbroken front when called into action sgainst "King Alcohol" today.

and supported by every similar organ-The measure is to be submitted to the stration was one of the most powerful evidences of the spread of temperance ever seen in this city.

#### Children Lead March.

About 2,000 delegates and alternates of the Anti-Saloon League, gathered from General is not in full accord with the every State in the nation, and marched Lewis ideas about government owner- from the Hotel Raleigh to the Capito! ship, and Mr. Burleson may submit a in a procession that stretched for blocks. The stream of delegates, five prin abreast, was led by John Good, jr., six jan years old, the son of a prominent middle-Western manufacturer.

The procession was met at First and B streets northwest, by about 1,000 delegates of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and the forces of the women, led by four-year-old Lillian Flower, of Massachusetts, representing the

\$354,000 Xmas Gift "cradle roll." joined the Anti-Saloon League legions and marched to the east front of the Capitol amid deafening A biting wind swept across the plaza

William L. Elkins.

Upon the death of Mr. Elkins \$1.000,000 was set aside for the benefit of his granddaughter. Marie, then ten years old. Upon attaining her majority she was to receive the accumulated income. She became of are August 4 at either side. A guick change of plans shifted the speakers from the top of the steps to one of the massive stone platforms Schmidt Trial Begun;

#### Prayer for Prohibition.

Righop Earl Cranston of the Metho dist Episcopal Church made the invocation, giving thanks for the pro-hibition statutes of many States.

## PLEA FOR ANIMALS MADE BY SENATOR

Convert to Ranks of Anti-Vivisection Association.

Senator Henry L. Myers, of Montana. ing, where 3.000 delegates, representing was the principal speaker at the Inter

prohibit the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

The petition was presented to the Senate and the House through Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas and Congressman Richmond P. Hobson, of Alabama, both sworn enemies of the liquor traffic and advocates of the proposed amendments.

Discard Swept Aside and Common Sense, Cruelty and Bru-tality, with Reference to Animals." He will be preceded by Dr. Richard Cowen, of London, a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, who takes the position that "esuits obtained by vivisection are misleading. Dr. Frank E. Allard, professor of physical economics in the medical school of Boston University, will close

afternoon session with an address the dangers of serum therapy. Charges that serum prepared

### Federation Is Asked To Aid Western Miners

Appeal was made today to the American Federation of Labor by President Mover, of the Western Federation of Miners, to "protect the constitutional rights" of the cooper mine strikers in the Ca'umet, Mich, district. Secretary Morrison preceived a telegram declaring that the Titizens' Alliance had given all union labor representatives twenty-four hours to leave the State under pain of being elected "in the manner which suggests itself as most convenient," according to Moyer.

Morrison said headquarters for the Red Cross.

Jacob H. Schiff, a member of the beard of incorporators, has contributed to be devoted to the town and the commanding officer of the revenue cutter Windom, at Galveston, to assist in saving lives in the territory flooded by the lower pain of being elected "in the manner which suggests itself as most convenient," according to Moyer.

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annual purpose. The m

## Pennsylvania Cuts

sylvania railroad is not only cutting down its force of employes, but it has decreased the hours of labor in its shops from fifty-six to forty-four, weekly. This statement wac made at the head offices of the lines in this city today. 'I'm not a prophet," said one official when asked if 2.000 or more men would be "laid off."

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The taking of testimony in the trial of Hans of New York spoke on the Red Cross Schmidt, confessed murderer of Anna Schmidt, confessed murderer of Anna Aumuller, began today when the State called witnesses who found portions of the young woman's dismembered body. The only defense presented will be that of instantial director, told of the work in Arna Eicknell, national director, told of the work in Arna Eicknell, national director, told of the work in Arna Eicknell, national director, told of the colorado and Michigan. hibition statutes of many States.

Congressman Hobson and Senator Sheppard stepped from the crowd at the finish of the prayer, and Hobson the called witnesses who found portions of called witnesses who found portions of the young woman's dismembered body. received an ovation that lasted several minutes.

Dr. Baker made the opening address of insanity, and it is understood four alienists will be called who will declare bers of Congress, explaining in a brief

## RED CROSS BUILDING TEXAS FLOOD IS FUND IS COMPLETED

President Wilson Announces Society's Share of Memorial Cost Is Raised.

Among the important announcements made this afternoon by President Wilson, who also is president of the American National Red Cross, at the afternoon session of the ninth annual meetone to the effect that the remainder of of the civil war, has been provided. Some time ago Congress made an feet of water. appropriation of \$400,600, provided that Signow be raised from other sources. Through the generosity of Mrs. Russell Sage, Mrs. E. H. Harriman, John D. Rockefeller, and James A. Scrymser, of New York, who originated the movement, the remainder has been raised.

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Insanity Is Defense

YORK, Dec. 10.—The taking

floods in that State last March.
A recommendation to establish four agencies in the widely varying sections of the country, with an assistant directer in each, was one of the features of the report of General Davis, chairman of the central committee. A donation of \$5,000 annually to maintain these agencies has been offered by Cleveland H. Dodge, of New York.

John Skelton Williams, assistant secretary of the treasurer of the Red Cross, presented his annual statement showing the condition of finances, Miss Jane A. Delano

# SWEEPING TO GULF

Jail At Richmond Is Swamped and Prisoners Are Freed to Rescue Refugees.

TEMPERANCE LEADERS ON THEIR WAY TO THE CAPITOL.

ROSENBERG, Tex., Dec. 10.-The Texas flood, still dealing death, is now sweeping over the town of Richmond. near here. The levee broke this morning and water four feet deep is standnoon session of the ninth annual meeting ing in houses and stores. The jail is York, primarily to attend the meeting of the body at the New Willard, was filled with water. All prisoners were of the Clerical Association of New York one to the effect that the remainder of freed and put to the work of rescue. The Clerical Association of New York of The Clerical Association of The York of The Cleri upon marconed victim in this vicinity, se might seize the opportunity to inverthe flood probably will reach the Gulf tigate the reports current here to the tenight. Bay City also is under five effect that New York capitalists, inter-

## Life-Saving Boats.

sylvania Cuts

The morning session, which followed as executive meeting of the central commutee, was in charge of Maj.-Gen. Goorse W. Davis, Vice President Robert W. de Forest of New York being unable to come to Washington because of the death of his nephew.

The annual reports of the various activities occupied the greater part of the morning.

DELPHIA, Dec. 10.—The Pennrallroad is not only PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—The Pennsylvania railroad is not only cutting fown its force of employes, but it has lecreased the hours of labor in its hops from the control of th

#### IN CONGRESS TODAY.

Met at 10.

Currency discussion resumed. pected middle of next week. Salaries of officers and employes to be raid December 20 to enable them to prepare for Christmas. Foreign Relations Committee meets.

Colorado and Michigan. Colorado and Michigan.
Navel, Military, Postoffice, and Agriculture Committees continued their
consideration of appropriation bills.
Congressman Underwood announced various committee assignments, includ-

## BRYAN MAY PROBE SULLIVAN'S BACKING

Aroused By Report That Capitalists Indorsed Minister to Santo Domingo.

Thoroughly aroused over the criticism which have been heaped on his departnent regarding the Administration affairs in Sant Domingo, Secretary State Bryan left this morning for Nev ested in affairs in the Dominican Repub lic had something to do with the reommendations upon which James M. Sullivan was named by Mr. Bryan as the Minister to Santo Domingo.

Used in Flood Region the Minister to Santo Domingo.

The Administration here is stirred up over the gossip relating to the Dominical The Revenue-Cutter Service and Life- republic, and information concerning the Saving Stylce are co-operating in aid blood relationship between Minister Sul of the Texas flood sufferers. Instruc- livan and T. J. Sullivan, of Springfield Mass, who is said to be representing

American promoters interested in a new railroad project on the island, is displeasing to officials here.

Friends of the Administration insist that in due time the charges will be shown to be false, but it is admitted that Mr. Bryan's refusal to discuss the matter in any particular is complicating

matters considerably.

As yet no reply has been received by the Department of State to the telegram of explanation sent by Secretary Bryan to President Bordas regarding the mission of the 30 "disinterested, unofficial vinesses" whom the State Department seending to the Dominican republic to rion of the 30 "disinterested, unordicial vinesses" whom the State Department is sending to the Dominican republic to "observe" the conduct of the Dominican elections next Monday. While it is not thought that President Bordas will refuse permission to these observers witness the elections, his failure to cept the explanation in any politive way is taken to mean that their presence will not be welcome

#### Congressmen Join to **Get Strike Inquiries**

A concerted effort to obtain a Congressional investigation of the Colorado gressional investigation of the Colorace and Michigan strikes was made before the House Committee on Rules today by Congressmen Keating and Macdonald. Although a quorum of the committee was not present, it was clearly indicated that a recommendation urging the appointment of a committee. the appointment of a committee of three to investigate the conditions in the respective States would be made to the House at an early date.

Atlantic Coast Line. Florida-Augusta-Cuba-South.
All-steel, electric-lighted Pullmans, Coady of of south. 1419 New York ave. n. w .-

Here is Mr. Munsey's signed statement:

The absorption of the United States Trust Company by The Munsey Trust Company has caused so much comment and discuss here in Washington, and, to some extent, nationally, that it seems to me appropriate that I make a brief statement of the facts in the matter. Here they are:

I came to Washington from New York Friday afternoon, November 21st, reaching here a little before 5. On my way from the Union Station I saw a long line of depositors at several of the branches of the United States Trust Company, waiting to draw their savings. This was the first knowledge I had of a run on the United States Trust Company and of any real danger in the situation. Indeed, I had known nothing of the troubles of the United States Trust Company until the previous day, and then merely learned that the bank examiner had found the capital of the bank impaired.

It was perhaps 7 o'clock that night when a committee of the board of directors of the United States Trust Company and several of the men of The Munsey Trust Company, including myself, met at the Shoreham Hotel to talk over the situation and determine what should be done.

After a brief general discussion I made two propositions to the committee of the directors of the United States Trust Company, which were substantially as follows:

The Muntey Trust Company will at once take ever the le

Without any guarantee on the part of the directors of the United States Trust Company, or any other guarantee, The Hunsey States Trust Company, guaranteeing its depositors against loss. In this case, however, it will pay nothing for the deposits of the United States Trust Company.

Each of these proposals provided that all assets of the United States Trust Company in excess of the indebtedness to depor should, as a matter of course, revert to the stockholders of the United States Trust Company.

The committee at once took these two propositions to the board of directors of the United States Trust Company. They returned at the end of perhaps an hour, with the statement that the board of directors had accepted proposition No. 2 of The Munsey Trust Com-

The offer in proposition No. 1 of 5% for the deposits of the United States Trust Company, The Munsey Trust Company guaranteed against loss, was a very liberal offer for interest-bearing deposits, and the more so because of the trouble the bank was in and the responsibility of handling so critical a situation.

This would have yielded the United States Trust Company a quarter of a million dollars on the assumption that it would hold five millions out of its six and a half millions of deposits. It might have gone as high as \$300,000, or dropped to \$200,000.

In view of this fact, the acceptance of proposition No. 2 by the board of directors of the United States Trust Company-men who knew all about the assets of the company, while I of my own knowledge knew nothing of them, accentuated the responsibility I had assumed for The Munsey Trust Company and myself individually.

The negotiations for the taking over of the United States Trust Company were brief and without friction or bargaining or dickering. They were perfectly satisfactory to the directors of the United States

My decision to step into the breach rested on an offer from the Treasury Department of a million dollar loan to the United States Trust Company if The Munsey Trust Company effected a purchase of this bank and would guarantee its depositors against loss.

I accepted the offer of the Treasury Department in good faith and acted upon it. I had not sought the loan from the Department or had any negotiations with it concerning the matter.

The Treasury Department had made a similar proposal several days before, to the Continental Trust Company, and, I think, to at

least one other bank. The loan to the Continental Trust Company and the other bank was to be made to the United States Trust Company on its securities precisely as proposed to me if I took over the United States Trust

There was, therefore, no favoritism shown to me by the Treasury Department, and nothing was done for The Munsey Trust Company that the department was not ready to do for any other bank in Washington, and, indeed, had proposed doing.

The Treasury Department had an exact knowledge of the securities of the United States Trust Company, so did not make its offer

But the proposition of the Treasury Department to make this loan with a view of saving a critical situation, was not my affair. If no such offer of help to the United States Trust Company had come